



DATA SHEET

3Com[®] Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridge

High Performance

The 3Com[®] Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridge delivers three to four times the bandwidth of T1 links, and works at distances up to 15 miles^{*}.

Connection Flexibility

This bridge supports one-to-one as well as one-to-many (point-to-point or multipoint) topologies, for maximum flexibility in configuring building-tobuilding networks.

Traffic Prioritization

When used together with a switch from the 3Com SuperStack[®] 3 Switch 4400 family, the 3Com Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridge lets users set up traffic prioritization parameters to optimize data flow between buildings.

Multivendor Interoperability

Unlike systems that use proprietary protocols, this bridge is compatible with all other Wi-Fi-certified access points, so it fits easily within a multivendor infrastructure.

Economy

The 3Com Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridge is easy to cost-justify,

The 3Com Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridge lets businesses replace expensive, low-bandwidth T1 lines and cable connections with wireless building-to-building links. The bridge allows companies to start with point-to-point topologies, then advance to point-to-multipoint as because it delivers fast return-oninvestment. And it's economical to operate, since it avoids the recurring costs of T1 or cable equipment.

Strong Security

Support for 40- and 128-bit WEP encryption, as well as 128 bit Dynamic Security Link encryption; keeps network data and transmissions safe from security breaches.

Standards Compliance

In addition to its Wi-Fi compatibility, the bridge supports IEEE 802.11b for 11 Mbps wireless transmission** plus 802.3af for power over Ethernet.

Manageability

A simple-to-use, web-based management interface lets administrators choose between managing all bridges locally, from any point on the subnet, or remotely, via the Internet.

Reliability

Support for dynamic rate shifting helps keep network connections available.

growth and applications demand—all with a simple antenna change.

In large companies, the bridge fits within centralized management architectures, thanks to its interoperability with all multivendor bridges and access points that support the Wi-Fi standard.

*15-mile range requires 3Com Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridges on both buildings; used with a non-3Com bridge, the operating range of the 3Com Wireless LAN Building-to-Building Bridge is 2 miles. **Data throughput can vary depending on several factors, including network traffic load, distance between bridges, and antennas used.

Key Benefits



Performance, economy, and full Wi-Fi compatibility for transmissions up to 15 miles

Specifications

802.11b Data Rates Supported 11, 5.5, 2, 1 Mbps

Range

Transmit and receive information up to 15 miles between wireless building-to-building bridges, depending on the antenna selected.

Wireless Network Standard IEEE 802.11b

Network Connection Type 10/100BASE-T

Network Architecture Types Bridge 802.3 to 802.11b

Number of Users/Bridge Unlimited

Wireless Bridges/LAN Unlimited

Frequency Band 2.4 GHz

Wireless Medium DSSS

Media Access Protocol CSMA/CA

Modulation DSSS

Operating Channels 1 through 13 (Worldwide)

Available Transmit Power (depending on antenna selection and local legal restrictions) From 17 dB to 35 dB

Settings (depending on antenna selection and local legal restrictions) Up to 1000 mWatt

Antenna Multiple antenna options ensure the optimal signal strength for different environments.

Encryption 40- and 128-bit WEP shared key. 128-bit Dynamic Security Link encryption

Security VPN pass through

Protocol Filtering Networking protocols, such as NetBui, IPX, and TCP/IP, can be filtered out for perfomance optimization

LEDs Power: green Wireless: green when associated; yellow when transmitting/receiving Ethernet: green when connected; yellow when activity is detected Alert: amber Serial: green when RX; yellow when TX

Remote Configuration Support Web interface UI

Local Configuration Web interface UI

Bridging Protocol Wi-Fi compliant

Physical Dimensions Maximum depth: 144mm (9.966 in)

Maximum height 41mm (5.673 in)

Safety Compliance Canada/ U.S.: UL1950/CSA 22.2 Europe: CE Marked

Radio/Electromagnetic **Conformance Compliance**

US: FCC Part 15B&C Canada: Industry Canada

RSS-210 European Community: ETS 300 328, ETS 300 826 Australia: C-Tick

Environmental Operating

Ranges Operating temperature: -20 to 55°C Storage temperature: -20 to 70°C Altitude: Up to 3 km. Humidity: 10 to 95% noncondensing

Service and Support

One-year limited warranty

Product Name	Region	Order Number
3Com 11 Mbps Wireless LAN Building-to-Building bridge	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe and Latin America	3CRWE91096A
Product Accessories		
3Com 4dBi Omnidirectional Antenna	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, and Latin America	3CWE490
3Com 8dBi Omnidirectional Antenna	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, and Latin America	3CWE491
3Com 13dBi Sector Panel Antenna	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, and Latin America	3CWE495
3Com 18dBi Sector Panel Antenna	U.S. and Canada	3CWE496
3Com 6-Foot Antenna Cable	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, and Latin America	3CWE480
3Com 20-Foot Antenna Cable	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, and Latin America	3CWE481
3Com 50-Foot Antenna Cable	U.S., Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, and Latin America	3CWE482

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